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RE: New Patent Application Transmittal

Sir:

Kindly award a filing date and serial number under 35 USC 111 to the patent application based upon the enclosed specification (and any drawings). Declaration and filing fee are deferred. Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned at the address indicated below.

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SUBSTRATE SPECIFICITY**

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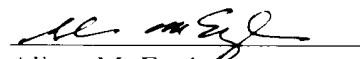
[X] This application claims priority to: a US Provisional application 60/138,308 filed June 9, 1999.

[ ] Sequence Listing. Provided herein are a formatted Sequence Listing and a copy of the Sequence Listing on computer readable form as required by 37 CFR 1.821 through 1.825

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